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SUBJECT: GERMAN GOVERNMENT PARTY ON FUTURE EXPANSION  
OF NUCLEAR ENERGY

REF: BONN 8055

1. SUMMARY. ON JUNE 25 THE FRG JUNIOR GOVERNMENT  
COALITION PARTY (FREE DEMOCRATS - FDP) DEFINED ITS  
CONDITION FOR THE FURTHER LICENSING OF NUCLEAR  
REACTORS. FDP DEMANDS THAT NO NEW LICENSES BE  
GIVEN, UNLESS THE FIRST PARTIAL CONSTRUCTION  
LICENSE FOR GERMANY'S PLANNED INTEGRATED NUCLEAR  
FUEL CYCLE CENTER HAS BEEN GRANTED, WHICH IS NOT  
EXPECTED BEFORE THREE YEARS. END SUMMARY.

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2. THE ABOVE CONDITION WAS PUBLISHED AFTER A  
MEETING OF THE NATIONAL PARTY DIRECTORATE WHICH  
IS THE HIGHEST PARTY PANEL BETWEEN GENERAL  
CONVENTIONS. THE DECISION WAS MADE AGAINST THE  
CLEAR WILL OF THE PARTY CHAIRMAN, FOREIGN MINISTER  
GENSCHER, AND THE FEDERAL MINISTER FOR THE ECONOMY,

FRIDRICH, WHO FAVOR A WEAKER CONDITION (SEE PARA 3).

3. ALTHOUGH THIS FDP POSITION WILL HAVE NO IMMEDIATE CONSEQUENCES ON THE FRG ENERGY PROGRAM, IT MARKS ANOTHER SIGNIFICANT POINT IN THE NUCLEAR CONTROVERSY IN GERMANY. THE FDP IS THE FIRST MAJOR POLITICAL PARTY TO MAKE PUBLIC ITS DEFINITION OF THE TERM "PROOF OF THE SAFE MANAGEMENT OF SPENT NUCLEAR FUEL" WHICH GERMAN COURTS IN RECENT DECISIONS HAVE RULED PREREQUISITE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF NEW NUCLEAR REACTORS. THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, IN CONTRAST, HAD ANNOUNCED THAT IT WOULD ADVISE THE RESPONSIBLE STATE (LAENDER) AUTHORITIES TO RESUME LICENSING AS SOON AS THE FEDERAL ADVISORY COMMITTEES CURRENTLY REVIEWING THE APPLICATION FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE REPROCESSING CENTER HAD APPROVED ITS SAFETY CONCEPT. THIS WAS EXPECTED BY FALL 1977. (SEE REFTTEL)

4. THE FDP POSITION WAS RECENTLY SHARED BY

TWO OF THE MINISTER-PRESIDENTS OF THE ELEVEN INDIVIDUAL GERMAN STATES. THE MAJORITY OF THE STATE GOVERNMENTS HAD ADOPTED THE WEAKER GOVERNMENT CONDITION.  
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5. IN OTHER TOPICS RELATED TO NUCLEAR ENERGY THE FDP BOARD REFUSED TO CALL FOR A TOTAL RENOUNCIATION OF NUCLEAR ENERGY BUT WARNED THAT THE UTILIZATION OF NUCLEAR ENERGY WAS ONLY TOLERABLE WHEN ALL OTHER ENERGY ALTERNATIVES HAD BEEN EXPLORED BECAUSE OF THE GREAT INHERENT RISK OF NUCLEAR TECHNOLOGY. FURTHERMORE, A RATE STRUCTURE SHOULD BE DEVELOPED THAT FAVORED A DECREASE IN ENERGY CONSUMPTION AND TAX INCENTIVES SHOULD BE OFFERED FOR THE USE OF SMALLER AND MORE EFFICIENT AUTOMOBILES.

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